



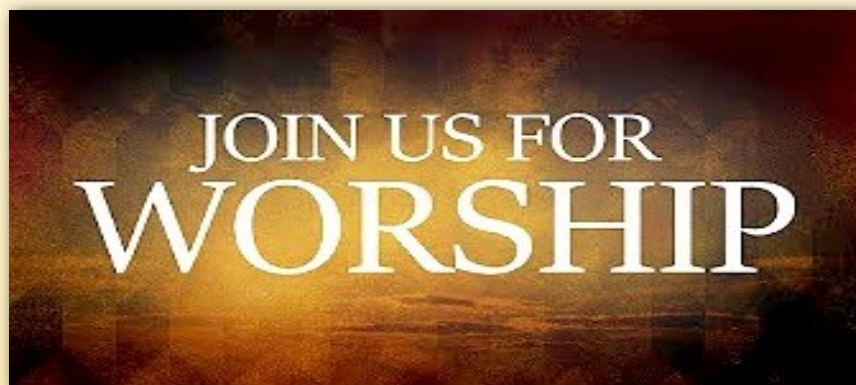
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At Lake Forest Presbyterian Church
We Gather for an In-Person Worship Service
Each Sunday Morning at 10:45 a.m.



As the number of cases of the Covid-19 virus and its variants in our community constantly changes we will continually seek to find the best ways for us to work together to keep our church family safe!

At this time, wearing masks is optional at our church gatherings

We understand that some may still not feel comfortable returning to an in-person worship service right now, and we want to say, that is okay. We continue to offer a variety of options for joining in worship with us:

- Participating in person at our 10:45 a.m. worship service.
- Participating in our live streamed service during the regular 10:45 a.m. worship time through our Facebook page.
- Viewing an archived video of our worship service, found on our Facebook page.



Our 10:45 a.m. worship service streams live each Sunday morning on the church's Facebook page.

In each week's Sunday Worship Email, we send a link to the page where our live video feed is available. You will find a .pdf of the bulletin in the weekly email as well, so that you can fully participate in the liturgy.



If you miss viewing the live service at 10:45 a.m., an archive of the service will be available for viewing at your convenience almost immediately after our 10:45 a.m. service ends on our Facebook page.

(The link to our Facebook page as well as the audio of each week's sermon and anthem can be found on our church's website as well)





and

MEET THE PARENTS



An end of the school year bash
for all our children and youth,
preschool through high school.

Wednesday, May 4th,
from 6:00 p.m. to 7 p.m
in the Fellowship Hall

Please make plans to join us!
We'll eat pizza, play games and
have lots of fun!

Following our May the Fourth
end-of-the-school-year celebration
there will be a

Parents Meeting
at 7 p.m. on
Wednesday, May 4th
in the YAYF classroom

In this meeting we will discuss our
programming for our children and
youth during the summer as well as
what's coming in the fall.



Congregational Meeting

There will be a called congregational meeting immediately following our 10:45 a.m. worship service on Sunday, May 15. The purpose of the meeting is to elect members of the pastor nominating committee and the nominating class for 2022.

*NURSERY CARE IS
PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN
AGE 4 AND UNDER
DURING OUR IN-PERSON
WORSHIP SERVICE*





Father-Son Camp May 20-22

John Knox Center on Watts Bar Lake
Ten Mile, Tennessee.

You can sign up to attend this annual weekend event for all our men in the narthex on Sunday.

If you have any questions about this year's Father-Son Camp, please talk with Josh McGill or Roland Julian

or email us in the church office at office@lakeforestpc.org

On Sunday, May 29, our
5th Sunday offering
will be collected to benefit

Dogwood Elementary School

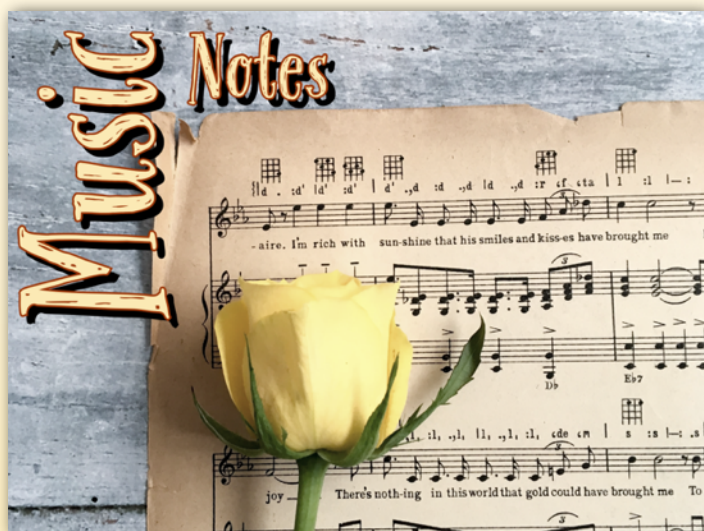
May's 5th Sunday offering will be collected to help the fifth-grade teachers offset expenses for the 5th graders at Dogwood Elementary.

This is an incredible opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of children in our community as we help provide funds to make their last year in elementary school something they will always remember.

Please prayerfully consider how you can give to help the teachers of Dogwood better serve the needs of their students. Together we can help these students finish the school strong and get off to a great start in the fall by helping their teachers provide them with the resources they need.



Our church family is blessed with exceptional musicians and vocalists who serve us each Sunday, encouraging our hearts, reminding us of the beautiful character of our God, inviting us into the miracle of His presence among us.



May choir rehearsal schedule:

- Handbell choir will rehearse on Wednesday night, May 4, at 6 p.m. This is will the last handbell choir rehearsal until the fall.
- Chancel choir will not rehearse on May 4. Our chancel choir rehearsal time will change to 6:30 pm. for the month of May (May 11, 18, and 25). Chancel choir will only rehearse one Wednesday during each month of the summer. Watch your inbox for those dates.



Our Lake Forest Ringers participated with other area handbell choirs in the Smoky Mountain Ring Handbell Festival March 31 through April 2.



The Lake Forest handbell choir will provide the special music on Mother's Day Sunday May 8.



Youth Group

Our Youth Group is a Wednesday night program filled with fun, games, music and listening for God's Word. We also look for opportunities throughout the school year to get outside the walls of the church to have fun as a group at some exciting events.

Our youth group's regular Wednesday night gathering is now on break for the summer.

We offer a weekly in-person Sunday School class for our 5th-8th grade youth. This class is taught by Carol Vinson. This class meets at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning and youth can also join us each Sunday morning via Zoom.

And keep watching your inbox for updates on fellowship activities and service projects for our youth this summer.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer to be a part of the team that leads our youth on Wednesday nights throughout the school year please contact:

Taylor Baker
or email the church office at
office@lakeforestpc.org



CHILDREN'S WORSHIP GROUP

has started summer break early!

In the fall we will begin meeting again on Wednesday nights from 6-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will invite your friends to join us for this awesome part of our Wednesday night lineup of activities.

We also offer Sunday School classes for all our children each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.

- 1st through 3rd graders - taught by Megan Talley
- 4th and 5th graders - taught by Michael Kelley

Both classes meet each Sunday in the Educational wing.

We're working on plans for some Summer Fun events for our kids in the coming weeks. Watch your inbox for all the details.

If you would like more information on our Children's ministry or have any questions concerning our children's program, you can contact

Our Christian Education & Discipleship
Committee Chairperson - Carol Vinson
or email us in the church office
(office@lakeforestpc.org)

Would you like to see the stories of the Bible come alive to our Lake Forest kids? Why not consider becoming one member of our rotating team of

Children's Time Speakers?



Children's Time is a moment in our Sunday morning worship service. During this time we teach the truth of God's Word in ways specifically designed to touch the hearts of our children. If you would be open to learning more about leading our Children's Time, or participating in training so that you can join the team of volunteers that serve our children in this way, please contact the church office at office@lakeforestpc.org.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE



MARCH 2022	Operating
Giving	10,946.68
Expenses	11,332.43
Surplus (Deficit)	(385.75)
YEAR-TO-DATE 2022	Operating
Giving	29,210.30
Expenses	29,425.37
Surplus (Deficit)	(215.07)



Our Committee Chairpeople:

Building & Grounds	Finance
Brad Johnson	Josh McGill
Christian Education & Discipleship	Spiritual Care
Carol Vinson	Melinda Watson
	Worship
	Seth Maples



Lunch Bunch

We sure have missed our monthly gathering with our Lunch Bunch friends throughout the months of this pandemic. We're looking forward to a day when we will be able to gather around the table again to share a meal, discover something new, and tell a funny story or two. Even though we haven't been able to have our monthly meal during this uncertain season, our lunch bunch crew, young and old, have been close to our hearts and always in our thoughts and prayers.

With the health and safety of those who meet with us always our guiding principle, the Lunch Bunch is still unable to schedule our next gathering. We're hoping it won't be too much longer until it will be safe for us to have lunch again. Until then, we hope each of you, as well as those you love, are staying safe and happy.

If there is ever any way our church can serve you or pray for you please let us know by calling the church office at 865-577-2800 or sending us an email the church office at office@lakeforestpc.org

&Prayers PRAISES

Our Lake Forest Church family so often gets to see the love of God flow through our commitment to pray for each other. God has worked in miraculous ways among us and we consider it a joy and privilege to pray for each other and watch to see how God answers our prayers.

If you have a need - if you are facing a healthcare concern or crisis, have experienced the loss of a job, are grieving the loss of a loved one, or are asking God to work in a specific situation in your life that needs His powerful touch, please let us know so that we can pray for you.

You can email us at office@lakeforestpc.org whenever you have a prayer need that you would like to share. We send out a Prayers & Praises email each week on Thursday morning so that we can know how to pray for each other and celebrate what God is doing in our body.

If you know someone who is not currently receiving the Prayers & Praises email and would like to be added to our list, please ask them to let us know by sending their email address to the church office at the email address above.

And don't forget to send us updates of how God has responded to your prayer need or anytime you have something that we can celebrate with you. We want to make sure that we are as attentive to the praises part of our list as we are to each individual prayer need. So be sure to let us know how God has been working in your life by emailing us in the church office as well.

**Thanks for being a praying
church family!**



THE SESSION
WILL MEET
TUESDAY,
May 17,
AT 6:30 p.m.

Did we miss wishing a
"Happy Birthday"
to someone who is a part
of our church family?
If so, please help us keep
our birthday list up-to-
date by emailing us at
office@lakeforestpc.org.

May 1 – Bob Huff

May 10 – Calvin Farley

May 11 – Michelle Galindo

May 12 – Dick Graf

Christie Irvin

May 14 – Terry Carpenter

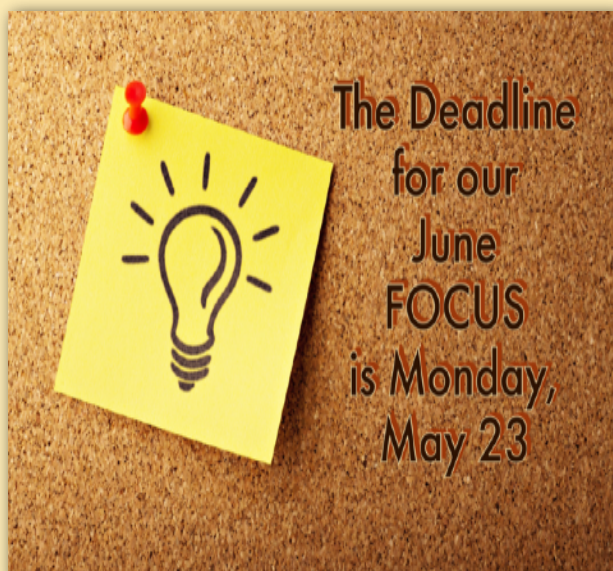
Melissa Johnson

May 17 – Marge Dorsey

May 26 – Sherri Bevis

May 28 – Angela Miller

Myles Talley



One of the key ways we have a chance to welcome new people and serve one another within the Lake Forest church family is by communicating effectively. When we let everyone know the details of what's going on, we invite each member to come and be a part of it.

If you have an announcement about an upcoming event, a volunteer list, a committee meeting date and time, or any other information that needs to be included in the
June 2022 Lake Forest FOCUS
please take a few minutes, as soon as you know the details, to email that information to: office@lakeforestpc.org

The deadline for the June 2022 FOCUS is
Monday, May 23





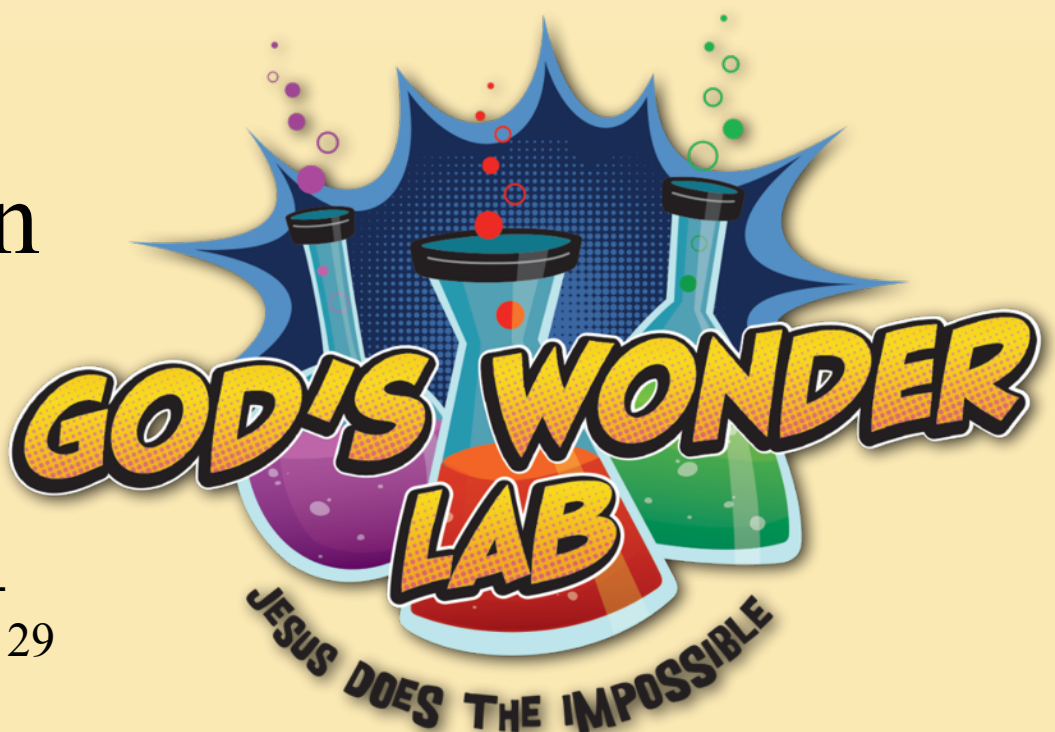
COMING UP

Mark your calendars



Sign Up Now for
Lake Forest's
Vacation
Bible
School

Sunday, June 26 -
Wednesday, June 29
6-8 pm. nightly





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